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**FORMAL RESPONSE TO THE NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**Re: Patent Application Serial No.: 09/714,574****Attorney Docket No.: 00-068****Titled: METHOD OF OUTPUTTING OFFERS AT A VENDING MACHINE FIELD"**

Responsive to the Notice of Abandonment dated January 22, 2004, please find enclosed copy of Combined Amendment & Petition for Extension Time, Assertion of Small Entity Status and Amendment & Response to Office Action which were filed with USPTO on January 5, 2004. Also attached is a copy of the Return Receipt Postcard stamped by USPTO with the Receipt date for the above-referenced documents of January 7, 2004.

Applicants respectfully request that this application be withdrawn from abandonment. Thank you for your assistance in advance. Kindly call if I may be of further assistance.

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Applicant: WALKER et al.  
Serial No.: 09/714,574  
Filing Date: November 16, 2000  
Title: METHOD OF OUTPUTTING OFFERS AT A VENDING MACHINE FIELD  
(00-068)

Sir:

Please acknowledge receipt of the following papers by stamping the date received on this card and returning the same to the addressee.

- Combined Amendment & Petition for Extension of Time, 2 pp., (x2);
- Assertion of Small Entity Status, 1 pg.; and
- Amendment & Response to Office Action, 11 pp.

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Application No. 09/714,574  
Attorney Docket No.: 00-068

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: JAY S. WALKER et al. ) Examiner: S. Gravini  
Serial No.: 09/714,574 ) Group Art Unit: 3622  
Filing Date: November 16, 2000 ) Attorney Docket No: 00-068  
For: **METHOD OF OUTPUTTING** ) Customer No.: 22927  
**OFFERS AT A VENDING** ) **Notification of Fee Status Change**  
**MACHINE FIELD** ) **Pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.27**

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## ASSERTION OF SMALL ENTITY STATUS


Dear Sir:

The assignee of the above-identified application claims small entity status. This notification is made pursuant to 37 CFR §1.27.

If the Examiner has any questions about this status change, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (203) 461-7337. While no fees are believed due in connection with this paper, please charge any fees that may be required for this paper, or with any other papers filed in connection with this application to Deposit Account No. 50-0271.

January 5, 2004  
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Respectfully submitted,

  
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